

DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

Claims 34-36 have been canceled. Claim 37 has been rewritten in independent form, without change in claim scope.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the above amendment. With entry thereof, Claims 1, 4, 29-33, 37 and 38 will be active in the application; Claims 5-28 stand withdrawn from consideration.

Application No. 10/618,693

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REMARKS

Applicants traverse the rejections of record for reasons stated in the Appeal Brief,
submitted herewith.

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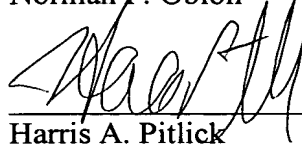
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